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1. A carry-out food container, comprising:
 - (a) a food compartment tray adapted for holding a food item;
 - (b) a lid for removably covering the food item contained in said tray;
 - (c) an integrally-formed hinge interconnecting said tray and said lid at a joined side edge, and enabling pivoting movement of said lid relative to said tray between an open position and a closed position; and
 - (d) a flexible sheet attached adjacent said hinge and adapted for residing between said tray and said lid.
2. A carry-out food container according to claim 1, wherein said tray and lid are constructed of polystyrene.
3. A carry-out food container according to claim 1, wherein said tray defines a plurality of divided food compartments.
4. A carry-out food container according to claim 1, wherein said flexible sheet comprises dry wax paper.

5. A carry-out food container according to claim 4, wherein said flexible sheet is removably attached along a length of said integrally-formed hinge.

6. A carry-out food container according to claim 5, wherein said flexible sheet defines a perforated tear line extending from one side edge thereof to an opposite side edge thereof.

7. A carry-out food container according to claim 6, and comprising a starter nick formed at a leading end of said perforated tear line.

8. A carry-out food container according to claim 1, wherein said flexible sheet has a length and width dimension greater than a length and width dimension of said food compartment tray.

9. A carry-out food container according to claim 1, wherein said lid and tray comprise a complementary locking tab and slot, respectively, adapted for releasably holding said lid in the closed position.

10. A carry-out food container, comprising:
- (a) a polystyrene food compartment tray adapted for holding a food item;
 - (b) a polystyrene lid for removably covering the food item contained in said tray;
 - (c) an integrally-formed hinge interconnecting said tray and said lid at a joined side edge, and enabling pivoting movement of said lid relative to said tray between an open position and a closed position; and
 - (d) a flexible wax paper sheet attached adjacent said hinge and adapted for residing between said tray and said lid.
11. A carry-out food container according to claim 10, wherein said tray defines a plurality of divided food compartments.
12. A carry-out food container according to claim 10, wherein said flexible sheet is attached along a length of said integrally-formed hinge.
13. A carry-out food container according to claim 12, wherein said flexible sheet defines a perforated tear line extending from one side edge thereof to an opposite side edge thereof.

14. A carry-out food container according to claim 13, and comprising a starter nick formed at a leading end of said perforated tear line.

15. A carry-out food container according to claim 10, wherein said flexible sheet has a length and width dimension greater than a length and width dimension of said food compartment tray.

16. A carry-out food container according to claim 10, wherein said lid and tray comprise a complementary locking tab and slot, respectively, adapted for releasably holding said lid in the closed position.

17. A carry-out food container, comprising:

(a) a polystyrene food compartment tray adapted for holding a food item, and defining a plurality of divided food compartments;

(b) a polystyrene lid for removably covering the food item contained in said tray;

(c) an integrally-formed hinge interconnecting said tray and said lid at a joined side edge, and enabling pivoting movement of said lid relative to said tray between an open position and a closed position; and

(d) a flexible wax paper sheet attached adjacent said hinge and adapted for residing between said tray and said lid, and said sheet having a length and width

dimension greater than a length and width dimension of said food compartment tray.

18. A carry-out food container according to claim 17, wherein said flexible sheet is attached along a length of said integrally-formed hinge.

19. A carry-out food container according to claim 18, wherein said flexible sheet defines a perforated tear line extending from one side edge thereof to an opposite side edge thereof.

20. A carry-out food container according to claim 19, and comprising a starter nick formed at a leading end of said perforated tear line.